

Test-Question Categories

Reading tests have predictable kinds of questions, and each type requires a unique approach. Here are some of the most common question types and some ideas for helping kids deal with them.

Vocabulary Questions

Questions About Specific Words

- Which is the best meaning for the word _____?
- The word _____ in the story means ...
- What is a synonym for _____?
- Which word means the same as _____?

Teaching Suggestions

- Teach kids to read the entire sentence to figure out the meaning of the word in context. Have them use the context to infer a general meaning of the word. Remind them to look back to previous sentences or read ahead for clues in the text that help infer the meaning of the word.